



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Summary Notice No. PE-2018-09)

Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; DroneSeed Co.

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice contains a summary of a petition seeking relief from specified requirements of Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, the FAA's exemption process. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of the petition or its final disposition.

DATES: Comments on this petition must identify the petition docket number and must be received on or before [INSERT DATE 20 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Send comments identified by docket number FAA-2017-1157 using any of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the online instructions for sending your comments electronically.
- Mail: Send comments to Docket Operations, M-30; U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Room W12-140, West Building Ground Floor, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

- Hand Delivery or Courier: Take comments to Docket Operations in Room W12-140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.
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Docket: Background documents or comments received may be read at <http://www.regulations.gov> at any time. Follow the online instructions for accessing the docket or go to the Docket Operations in Room W12-140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jake Troutman, (202) 683- 7788, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

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PETITION FOR EXEMPTION

DocketNo.: FAA-2017-1157

Petitioner: DroneSeed Company

Section(s) of 14 CFR Affected: §§ 91.7(a); 91.119(c); 91.121; 91.151(b); 91.405(a); 91.407(a)(1); 91.409(a)(1) & (2); 91.417(a) & (b); 137.19(c), (d) & (e)(2)(ii)(iii) & (v); 137.31; 137.33; 137.41(c); 137.42.

Description of Relief Sought: The petitioner is requesting relief in order to operate three unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) weighing 55 pounds or more, not exceeding 185 pounds, for aerial agricultural operations in remote operating environments. The three UAS are the HSE AG-V8A+ v2, the DS-10, and the DS-11, weighing 55 pounds (lbs.), 124.09 lbs., and 102.5 lbs., respectively, at maximum (fully loaded) take-off weight. The petitioner also requests relief to allow a single person to act as remote pilot in command for up to fifteen simultaneous operations of UAS weighing 55 lbs. or more. Additionally, the petitioner is requesting relief for the pilot in command to operate the UAS weighing 55 lbs. or more with a remote pilot certificate.

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